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**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Yasutsugu SOETA

Application No.: National Phase of PCT/JP2004/013661

Filed: March 27, 2006

Docket No.: 127462

For: POLISHING PAD, METHOD FOR PROCESSING POLISHING PAD, AND METHOD  
FOR PRODUCING SUBSTRATE USING IT (AS AMENDED)

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Specification;**

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**